

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's earlier Restriction Requirement, claims 30-47 of Group II were elected for Examination. Accordingly, claims 1-29 were previously withdrawn from consideration. The Examiner now requires election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. The Examiner has identified four distinct species of the claimed invention as follows:

- 1) FIG. 10,
- 2) FIG. 11,
- 3) FIG. 12,
- 4) FIG. 13.

In Response to the Examiner's election requirement, the applicant hereby elects the species of FIG. 10. **Claims 30-31 and 34-41** read upon the elected species. Accordingly, claims 32-33 and 42-47 are hereby withdrawn.

It is respectfully submitted that claim 30 is a *generic* claim to one or more of the unelected species. Accordingly, upon allowance of a generic claim (i.e., claim 30), the applicant should be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species (i.e., withdrawn claims 32-33, and 42-47) which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. 1.141.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in proper condition for examination of the claims on the merits. If the Examiner believes there are any further matters that need to be discussed in order to proceed with examination, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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